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THE CEILING IS A SWINDLE. STRONG AND FEARLESS REPORT OF

THE COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS.

Specifications Not Made Until After the Contract was Let-Work Not Done According to Contract—The Profit \$160,000—Youchers Signed for More Money than the Contractors were Entitled to—The Sun Reporter Examining the Chairman of the Appropriation Committee.

ALBANY, Feb. 18 .- The committee of celling experts made a report this evening, which justifies in all respects the harshest charges that have been made against the Celling Committee and the men in charge of the new ceiling. The experts say unanimously that not only did the contractor draw from the State 15,000 more than he was entitled to, not only that the Ceiling Committee were incompetent and careless, but that no plans were drawn until after the contract was let, so that it was impossible for bona fide bidders to enter into competition, and that no bons fide bids were offered, and that the work was not done in accordance with the specifications. They say that putting the work at its highest value, with liberal allowances for all risks, contingencies, and profits, the total cost to the contractor was not over \$160,000, and that there was an extraordinary profit of over \$105,000, in addition to an ordinary contractor's profit, with everything estimated at the highest figure. This fully sustains the estimate made in THE SUN sometime ago that the total profit of the contractor was oetween \$120,000 and \$130,000. In the rest of its report the committee intimates strongly that it does not stand to reason that the con-tractor was allowed to pocket this large profit. but that there was collusion. It will be hard for the Appropriations Committee to hush up or whitewash this state of facts, even if they should do their best, which at present they seem afraid to do.

The committee of experts, the chairman of whom is Stanford White, a well-known archiect in New York city, made their report to Mr. Ainsworth, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations. They present an analysis of the material used, and say that the ceiling is made one. They said they did not feel authorized to be a construction of the control o of papier mache, and not of quartered or carved oak. They said they did not feel authorized to enter into any detailed investigation, as that would take too much time. Their investiga-

Permission was granted, and the reporter asked Mr. Ainsworth what conversations he had had recently with the Speaker, certain lobbylets superintendent Andrews, Judge Greene, and the contractors. Mr. Ainsworth admitted that he had had conversations recently with some of these men, but he denied that any.

thing improper had taken place at any of these conversations.

Were not certain expense accounts and vouchers of the telephone investigation committee secretic altered by you, and has not Speaker Cole aliuded to such alteration in a menacing or threatening manner?

Mr. Ainsworth said that only one account of his, and that a small one, had ever been withdrawn, and that he found he was entitled to that money, and it was paid him, the denied that here had been any trouble about his vouchers for expenses as member of the Telephone investigation Committee, and he denied that he had entered those expense accounts.

In answer to other questions as to whether a bill to reduce telephone charges would be pressed as a retailation for the investigation being conducted in a thorough manner, he said that he had no knowledge of anything of the sort, neither did he know that Speaker Cole had made threats against any Assemblyman for his insistance on the investigation, and he denied having conversed with anybody on the subject or of having heard any such conversation between several persons when the censure of the Assemblyman who furnished the reporter of The Sus with the information was discussed. He explained his omission to ask Mr. Martin about Mr. Martin's alleged statement that the man who attempted to bribe him told him that Mr. Ainsworth and Judge Greene were already secured. He said that he was doing the best he could with the investigation, and he had not thought to ask the questions of Mr. Martin about Mr. Martin's alleged statement that the man who attempted to bribe him told him that Mr. Ainsworth and Judge Greene were already secured. He said that he was doing the best he could with the investigation, and he had not thought to ask the questions of Mr. Martin about Mr. Martin's alleged statement that the man who attempted to bribe him told him that the man who attempted to bribe him told him that Mr. Ainswort hand Judge Greene. This was more as the committee and had shown that list to a member of the committee and h

The committee demanded that the reporter of The Sun should tell who furnished him with his information. The reporter of The Sun declined.

Judge Green then said: "I desire now, Mr. Chairman, to move that the reporter have an opportunity to make any statement as to his source of information, and answer the questious that were put to him the other day." The motion was carried.

Mr. Ainsworth said: "I think I will vote no upon that proposition. You are at liberty, now, if you desire," he then said to the reporter.

Mr. Chairman, I think that as regards the accuracy of my statement, that has been proven, the reporter began. "Mr. Larman has sworn that he wrote such a list."

Though the reporter was expressly permitted to make a statement Mr. Ainsworth began interrupting him by pounding on the table, and talking before the first sentence was finished. "I don't wish to say anything about that," said Mr. Ainsworth, and continued his pounding on the table.

The noise was so great that the reporter could not make the statement which the committee had authorized him to make. Mr. Ainsworth became violently angry and said that he was trying to conduct himself with dignity.

"The Chairman of this committee must keep order," said Mr. Ainsworth, Irrelevantly.

"Does the Chairman of this committee also keep his word?" asked the reporter.

"That is not the question under discussion." said Mr. Ainsworth. Has the Chairman ever made any promise and broken it?"

"That is not the question under discussion." said Mr. Ainsworth asked the reporter to tell the names of two members of his committee does not keep his word." He referred to the testimony of the official stenographer. When, on Friday, Mr. Ainsworth asked the reporter to tell the names of two members of his committee referred to in a paragraph in The Sun, he said that if he gave the name of the person of The proverter to tell the names of two members of his committee referred to in the proverter to tell the names of two members of his committee heaven of the hundred men as win

John L. Sullivan arrived in town yesterday

EDGERTON STRIKES BACK

HE WRITES A SHARP OPEN LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT.

Cleveland is a Peculiar Person who Has Been Properly Rebuked at the Polis and who is Laying his Pipes for a Re-election, WASHINGTON, Feb. 18 .- Judge A. P. Edgerton, who was recently removed from the office of Civil Service Commissioner, has written an open letter to the President. In it he says TO THE PRESIDENT: I was indebted to you for the only appointive office I ever held. You now declare by your action that you regret the appointment. I, with equal right, can say that I regret the acceptance. Your regret was never utterance or action until now, at the close of your Administration and on the day before my removal. If you had any just or unjust cause of complaint against me, you had not before that time made it known to me. Of course, if you believed me unfit for the position or neglectful of duty, you should have removed me long ago; but I presume there were prudential political reasons why you did not make the removal until after the election. In this regard it would almost seem as if you were willing to play false with the Mugwumps to

enable you to win with the Democrats. "And here permit me to define the term 'Mugwump,' as referring to a class of political reformers who have the spirit of reformation without the common sense and good judgment to reform, as reforms are not effected by unjust personal denunciation, but by reason. The result of the election placed you in a dilemma from which few people would have known how to extricate themselves. You found a man on your hands whom the Mugwumps had declared war upon, an enemy to their civil service reform theories, and your plan of becoming their representative in the future would be weakened or defeated if some assurance of your fidelity to their cause could not be secured. Accordingly it appears that you decided upon the removal of the head of the Commission, and, deeming Mr. Thompson a good enough Mugwump for them, you thereore demanded my resignation that you might appoint him, apparently as an atonement for

your previous inaction. "Mr. President, with due courtesy to the high office you hold, allow me to say that you are a very peculiar man-a positive man-positively wrong or positively right, and, therefore. an unsafe man to trust; and that element in your character, I believe, led to your defeat, Pope says, 'The most positive men are the most credulous, since they most believe themselves, and advise most with their fellow flatterers and worst enemies.' Being one of that kind of positive men yourself, you have kept some men of like character around you who are positive only in their malice and conceit. flatter you, and have the conceit that

They flatter you, and have the conceit that would magnify themselves and the malignity that would detract from others.

"You were credulous enough to believe you were elected President by the Mugwumps, and therefore you permitted them to malign your real friends and to flatter you into a polley which led to your defeat. You are a man who would not permit your real friends to admonish you with freedom and confidence, and, as a result, you have suffered for the want of friends, and your wrecked and wretched greatness has discovered that there is no true success in life without the power and blessing of friendship.

"I may have been wrong in many things connected with the Civil Service Commission, but I will say that I have consistently and insistently maintained the Civil Service Commission, but I will say that I have consistently and insistently maintained the Civil Service Iaw, and never made utterance against it. To be sure, I did not swear to support a Mugwump interpretation of it, basedon the monstrous assumption that the Commission was independent of law. How many poor unfortunates have been denied the advantages and benefits of the law by questions never contemplated by it, and how many expenses have been incurred through unpecessary and devious requirements and practices, it is not my purpose at this time to state.

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this time to state.
"You will be censured and condemned be-"You will be censured and condemned because you put no trust in your own party, but believed yourself to be better than your own and greater than all parties. You have ascertained that the many were not made for the one. If you can find as many reasons for removing me as the Democratic party, through an indifference which was simply retaliatory, had for removing you. I shall be quite willing to remain with you in the gloom of defeat."

Judge Edgerton then gives at length his views on the Civil Service law and its enforcement. He thinks it was impossible to make such a radical change in our system at a jump.

views on the Civil Service law and its enforcement. He thinks it was impossible to make such a radical change in our system at a jump, that if good results were reached they would have to be attained gradually, and in this view he endeavored to perform his functions as a Commissioner. He continues:

"I cannot, like you, make a prayer for relief to the public such as the article seems to be in the Baltimore Sun of the 14th inst. This is the first time in the history of the Government that an outgoing President has found it necessary to advertise through the newspapers his particular work during his term of office, and his claims upon his party and the country for approval. Between the lines can be read the special plea for reflection.

"You believed you had a will, and, therefore, a destiny that would enable you to rise above your party and to disregarded your obligations as your party's trustee. You forgot that there was such a thing as political gratitude and that it was neither a vice nor a crime. In the hellef that you were false to your trust to both parties, you were false to your trust to both parties, you were false to your trust to both parties, you were false to power to retain you unlied with its opponents to make certain your defeat. You have been taught that great men with destinies are not always wise, except in their own conceit.

"In the statement of your public acts, as printed in the Sun article, is this declaration:
"When Mr. Cleveland came into office he found the departments filled with incompletes. "When Mr. Cleveland came into office he found the de-partments filled with incompetents who had found permanent lodgment there through favoritism. His doubt is whether sufficient clearing out has been done to subserve the best interests of the dovernment, and to give wide accept to civil service reform through its methods of filling the places of inefficient with capable

give wide scope to civil service reform through its methods of filing the places of inefficient with capable men.

"How can you say that you found the departments filled with incompetents, and yet retain all in office during your Administration? There is a mietake somewhere. Did you not know, Mr. President, that nearly three-fourths of all the persons now in office in the department on the prosent to you the fact that one State, the present to you the fact that one State, the state of Maine, has in one department only—the Treasury Department—sixty-one clorks, not one of whom has passed a civil service examination, but all found permanent lodgment; there through favoritism, and were there when you were inaugurated in 1885, and are yet in office, except b, H. Hinds, with \$2,500 salary, who dropped out in the spring of 1888. These sixty-one clorks, all Republicans, receive an annual salary of \$99.030.

"Considering the nature of the attacks made upon me by members of the Civil Service Commission—for attacks have gone to the press which it was impossible could have been inspired in any other quarter—I am justified in giving one single fact of mischleyous distrust and wrongdoing on the part of a 'Commissioner in charge.

"Collector Magone of New York addressed to me a 'personal' letter thus marked on the envelope, the postage paid, no indication that it could be official on the inside also marked 'personal,' and this letter was opened and read by the 'Commissioner in charge and forwarded to the other Commissioner, then in Boston, and by him answered before the letter was sent to me, then at home in the West. From such sources as this have come nearly all of the attacks upon me, and I doubt not, most of the misropresentations of my opinions made to you.

"This, Mr. President. I believe to be a temperate statement of the case."

Widow Stanton Wants \$10,000 Damages KINGSTON, Feb. 18 .- Mrs. Mary R. Stanton, a Brooklyn widow, has brought action against the town of Olive, this county, claiming \$10,000 damages. In August last Mrs. Stanton was summering near the village of Shokan, in the Catskills. One afternoon, while out walking. she fell from the top of an embankment which forms one of the approaches to the bridge which crosses a brook. The distance of the fall was about ten feet and Mrs. Stanton was hadly injured internally, though sustaining no broken bones. She was confined to a boarding house several weeks and the services of a physichan and nurse were constantly required. It is alleged that the embankment was not protect-ed by rails or guards. A special meeting of the Town Board was held to-day to consider the

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BURGLAR OR HONEST MAN.

NEW YORK, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1889.

The Singular Plight in Which Stationer Barguet Plads Himself.

Pascal T. Barguet, the bookseller and stationer of Mount Vernon, who is accused of entering the residence of Florist Charles A. Tier in that town on last Friday night as a burglar, is confident that his innocence will be clearly established by the alibi which he will endeavor to prove when his case comes up before the Grand Jury next month. Barguet has many friends in the town, and they all feel very indignant that he should even be charged with such an offence. He is 28 years old, has been in the town more than twenty years, and has been in the stationery business for ten years. This is the first time a criminal charge has been laid at his door. He was attending to his business regularly at his store yester-

years. This is the first time a criminal charge has been laid at his door. He was attending to his business regularly at his store yesterday. He says he has been held simply on the identification of the young girl, Miss Lizzle Mapes, who testified on bunday that Bargnet was one of two burglars. The long ulsterwhich he wears is of gray cloth, and not of black. Miss Mapes testified that the thief was dressed in a dark ulster.

"It is preposiorous," he said to a reporter, to suppose I would rob the house of a customer of mins, dressed in my ordinary clothes, with no attempt at concealment. That would be a good way of ruining the business which I have built up."

Miss Mapes, who has been visiting at Mr. Tier's house, went back to her home in West Farms yesterday. She is a bright girl of 16, and she firmly believes Bargnet is the man whom she saw standing in the doorway of the bedroom when she awoke. She says the thief was a swarthy man, with a black moustache, well dressed, and woaring a dark ulster. He did not fulfil the conception of a burglar that had been formed in her mind, and she was surprised to see such a gentlemanly-looking man in that capacity. The cas in the hail was turned on, and the light, she says, showed his features distinctly. The discrepancy in the color of Barguet's cost and the burglar's. Mrs. Tier thought, could be explained by the fact that in a dim light a color often looks much darker than it is.

While the Tier family know nothing definite against Barguet they seem disposed to rely on the girl's testimony. Then, too, Mrs. Tier says, Barguet is considerable of a poker player, and goes around with the boys. A great many other good clizens of the town do the same thing, however. Mrs. Tier don't see how her plece could have been mistaken under the circumstances, for Barguet's features are peculiar and unlike those of any one else in the town. Barguet was accustomed to serve a paper every morning at Tier's house in Valentine avenue, but on Saturday morning he failed to appear with it as unsul.

A BRILLIANT ENTERTAINMENT,

Mayor Grant Opens the Fair for the Benefit of the German Hospital.

The German fair for the benefit of the German Hospital opened in the American Institute Hall last night after two months of preparation. The hall was superbly decorated, Theodore G. Stein being the Chairman of the Committee on Decorations.

At 8:20 o'clock there were several thousand persons in the hall listening to the music of Leiboldt's orchestra, and when Police Captain Gunner led a line of distinguished gentlemen to the flower stand in the centre of the structure a mighty cheer went up. Mayor Grant

to the Bower stand in the centre of the structure a mighty cheer went up, Mayor Grant was observed to blush vividly as he passed down the long line of pretty, and admiring francients. Mr. William Steinway opened the proceedings and introducedCarl Schurz, who made an address.

Mayor Grant then said: "It is not necessary that I should tell you how honored I am in officially opening this great fair. I see before me the happy eyes of so many happy women who are anxious to get your money that I will not longer detain you. No sight in the course of years has been more pleasing to me than this assemblage, and I den't remember having eyer seen a greater number of pretty girls. I now declare this fair open."

On the stage around Mayor Grant were Henry Villard, Fred W. Kinhne, Judges Van Hoesen and Nehrbas, Isidor Wormser, Charles E. Wendt, Oscar B. Weber, William Steinway, Dr. Jacebi, School Commissioner Guggenheimer, Excise Commissioner Von diahn, and others,

The fair opened with a rush aspine orchestra struck up the festival march by Fritz Brandels. One of the features of the fair is the Wiener bier garten called "Zur Quelle," where visitors may sit about embowered tables and quaff foaming beakers of their favorite beverage to their heart's content. Here a beer pump is being voted to the most popular brewer in New York, and last night Henry Clauson led the van with 70 votes.

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The art gallery is another special feature of the fair, and the paintings which adorn it are valued at \$1,000,000. Among the ladies who have exerted themselves to make this department a grand feature are Mrs. Fred Kuehns. Mrs. Henry Villard, Miss Meta Volkmann, Mrs. Bruce Crane. Mrs. James R. Franklin, and the Misses liattie and Elia Steinway.

On next Sunday night there will be a sacred concert, which has been arranged by Mr. William Steinway and Edmund Stanton, director of the Metropolitan Opera House. On Washington's Birthday will occur a Schuetzenfest. The prize to the successful competitors will be a grand plane.

DID HE MAKE HIS WIFE PLINT?

Mr. Rodriguez Fails to Make Good his Com-plaint Against Mr. Stege.

The examination in the case of the alleged assault on Letter Carrier Frank P. Rodriguez by Grocer Henry Stege, on Feb. 8, took place yesterday before Police Justice Walsh in Brooklyn. Rodriguez, as the testimony dis closed, has had considerable trouble with his wife, and a couple of months ago she left him. On the day in question Redriguez, while standing in front of 509 Franklin avenue, saw Stege pass out, and accused him of harboring his wife in the house. Stege denied this, but Rodriguez ran up stairs, followed by Stege, and found his wife concaded in one of the rooms. A scene followed, in which, as Rodriguez says, he got a cut on the hands from some instrument in the hands of Stege.

Mrs. Rodriguez testified that it was impossible for her to get along with her husband. She declared he had taken her to Theles's, Koster & Bial's, and the Haymarket, and made her flirt with men. She also produced a letter written to her by her husband, in which he told her that if she returned to him again, she could have all the admirers she desired. Stege denied that he had assaulted Redriguez. He said he had received a letter from Mrs. Rodriguez asking him to call upon her on the morning in question. He did so, and learned that the letter was a forgery. When he started to leave Redriguez met him at the door, and a quarrel ensued, during which Rodriguez ran his hand through a pane of glass. Mrs. Rodriguez confirmed this testimony. Justice Waish discharged Stege. wife in the house. Stege denied this, but

Was 15-year-old Amelia Lio Forced to

Marry Fifteen-year-old Amelia Lio, a pretty Italian girl, has begun an action in the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, through Giadetto Lio, to annul her marriage with Vincenzo Perfetto. on the ground that she was under age at the time of the marriage, and was compelled to consent to the ceremony by threats. The comconsent to the ceremony by threats. The com-plaint sets forth that she was married to Per-fette in the City Hall. New York, by Mayor Hewitt, in August, 1888. She was compelled to go there with Perfette against her own wishes, and without the knowledge or consent of her mother. She was also, she says, compelled to make false answers to the questions, and to admit that a certain old woman, to her un-known, was her mother. Justice Frait has sent the case to Levi A. Fuller as referee.

Young Women's Christian Association.

NEWBURGH, Feb. 18 .- The final meeting of the Young Women's Christian Association of the State of New York was held this afternoon in the First Baptist Church. It was a consecration meeting, and Miss Nettle Dunn of Chicago, the National Secretary, who has sur-prised everybody by her ability and versatility, was leader of it. A State committee was ap-pointed, and the following delegates were chosen to the National Convention at Bloom-ington, Ill.: Mrs. Charles E. Williams of New-burgh and Miss Fanny Thomas of Syracuse University; alternates, Miss Emma Shafer and Miss Mary E. Gouldy.

CALLED ROBERTSON A LIAR.

THE AGED LAWSON FULLER IS THE ELECTRIC SUGAR AVENGER,

and he Won't Give Cotterill the Credit-Has Crowd was Caught Out in Michigan. The apparent joy of the electric sugar folks at this end of the line over the capture of

the Howards and Halsteds and Mrs. Friend at Ann Arbor on Saturday was disturbed yester-day by a painful misunderstanding between President Cotterill, Treasurer Robertson, and Director Lawson N. Fuller at the company's The aged Mr. Fuller, who has had altogether

too much pathes wasted on him in Ann Arbor, on the supposition that he mortgaged his little nome and invested his little all in electric sugar, and has been left penniless, rattled good wo-cent pieces in his pockets while he claimed the credit for the corralling of the prisoners. Mr. Cotteriil claimed it, and Mr. Robertson coincided with Mr. Cotterili, whereat Mr. Fuller

Mr. Cotterill claimed it, and Mr. Robertson coincided with Mr. Cotterili, whereat Mr. Fuller
promptly and emphatically told Mr. Robertson
that he was a liar. Mr. Robertson boiled up,
butsubsided again.

It was learned that an equity suit has been
begun in Michigan by Mr. Cotterili for the
company, which is intended to secure the 5.250
shares of the company's stock standing in Mrs.
Friend's name, and is also meant to include all
the property of the defendants not now known
of. At present the company reckens that it
has about \$80,000 in assets. They include \$30,000 in oash, \$10,000 in machinery and fixings
in the Hamilton avenue factory, and \$40,000 in
property soized from the Howards, Haisteds,
and Mrs. Friend in Michigan. The shareholders may get back \$18 a share if all goes well.

It was on Jan. 6 that Treasurer Robertson
confided to Inspector Byrnes that he had three
or four charges of swindling to make against
the people in Michigan. The Inspector sent
him to the District Attorney. Indictments
wore secured against Mrs. Olive E. Friend,
William E. and Emily Howard, and Orria A.
and George Halsted. Recorder Smyth issued
warrants, and Central Office Detectives Ruland Hurd, armed with requisitions from
Gov. Hill, started for Ann Arbor. There
they learned that some of the people
were in Canada. They notified Inspector
Byrnes, and he advised them to wait until they
could get the lot. They came back to Now
York, but fifteen days ago retured to Ann Arbor. They found everybody in Michigan but
Doneon Howard. The identity of the detectives
was discovered, and they conspleuously left
town, but went not more than thirty-five miles
away, and arranged with the Ann Arbor on Friday. The detectives found the whole let hobnobbling, and took them all in. Their lawyer
obtained a writ of habeas corpus, which for the
time prevents thom from boiling brought here.

There are three indictments against the
defendants.

The leartic Sugar Refining Company allege
that \$140,000 altogether has gone the way of
the defendants.

TWO GIRLS, NOT EIGHTY-TWO.

Excitement at Vassar College Over a Small

POUGHKEEPSIE, Feb. 18.-Vassar College authorities are indignant over statements in New York Sunday papers saying that eightytwo Vassar students occupied seats at the New York Casino matinée on Saturday. In reply to a despatch from here to-day to Rudolph Aron-son of the Casino, he telegraphed as follows: Telegram was received here from Vassar College Feb. 2 asking price of seats for Saturday matines. Answer

on Thursday, and the same were occupied by young ladies at the matines.

The ticket agent at the Hudson River Railroad station in this city said to-day that he sold only six tickets to Vassar pupils on Saturday for New York. The street car superintendent says that his cars did not carry more than that number from the college to the station on Saturday. President Taylor of Vassar College made the following statement to-night:

"The statements contained in the New York papers regarding the attendance of a body of Vassar students at a matince at the Casino are entirely false. There was no excursion to New York and no plan for any. Tickets were purchased for the Casino by two students, who expected to take a New York lady with them. This was unknown to the college authorities. The two students attended the matince. This is absolutely all the truth there is in this slanderous report which the New York papers have spread abroad. To-night Mr. Aronson was telegraphed asking for copies of telegrams embracing the whole transaction. He replied as follows: 'In justice to the party that communicated with us relative to the seats, we cannot give names. We sold the seats, and they were occupied. How the matter leaked out we do not know. We did not announce it officially."

Mr. Barton, manager for Mr. Aronson, showed to a Sun reporter last night a telegram received on Feb. 12. which was signed Vassar College and signed M. E. Cochrane, and inquired the price of sents at a Saturday matines. Mr. Barton replied, giving the price of balcony and orchestra seats. The next day a man appeared at the box office, and said he wanted eighty-two seats for pupils of Vassar College. He paid over the money and received the tickets. Saturday afternoon these eighty-two seats were occupied by young ladies.

ENDED HER LIFE WITH ARSENIC. Something Not Cleared Up About Della

Delia Barrow, 16 years old, a housemaid for Mrs. J. F. Reiss of 1,369 Park avenue, swallowed arsenic on Sunday night and died in the Ninety-ninth Street Hospital yesterday after-"I am tired of life," she said at the hospital. "My father and mother are both dead and my brother is dying of consumption." She had been at the house only two weeks. On the Sunday after her arrival a young man, said to be a drug clerk named Dempsey, came to visit her, and remained so late that Mrs.

to visit her, and remained so late that Mrs. Reiss asked him to go away. He was slender and dark, and wore a shabby frock coat. Last Friday Delia went out with him, and returned within fifteen minutes. On Saturday she was sick, and on Sunday, her day off, she left the house immediately after dinner, and did not return until 9 in the evening.

Neighbors say that she was accompanied to the house door by three men. Mrs. Reiss had been out, and whon she came home at 10 she found the girl sitting in a chair crying. She was very sisk in the morning, and Mrs. Reiss sent for Delia's married sister, Mrs. Bucholz, of \$42 East Seventy-seventh street. She had an ambulance called, and the girl admitted that she had taken Paris green at 10 o clock on Sunday night. She died at 2:25 P. M.

Her brother-in-law. Frank Buckholz, end yesterday: "I intend finding out all about this business, and if it is any man's fault, why, I only want to get hold of him."

A Story of a Wreck Found in a Bottle.

ONANCOCK, Va., Feb. 18 .- A daughter of E. W. Nottingham, who lives on the seaside in the lower part of Northampton, picked up a bottle on the beach yesterday, containing a piece of paper, on which the following was written in pencit:

pencil:

Ory Care Con. July 8, 1888.

The bark Lucy Low is about to geddown with all on board. She has been in a gale for seveniteer, days, the last been in a gale for seveniteer, days, the last wife good by. You must be seveniteer down a page of the good by. You must be supply to the last be nationally a good by the last beautiful and the finder of this will please keep it until the vessel is advertised for Good-by, tored uses. T. E. Norringsin, Master. Mr. Nottingham says he sees no reason to doubt that the paper is genuine. Nothing is known here of any such vessel or master.

Proposed Settlement with Ives and Stayner, Mr. Frank R. Lawrence, counsel of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railroad in their suit against Ives and Stayner, said yestheir suit against lives and Stayner, said yes-terday that efforts were being made to effect a settlement in the case, but that as yet nothing had been accomplished. The nature of the settlement Mr. Lawrence did not think would be of interest to the public. In any case he would not say what it was. Ives and Stayner are still in jail.

Boyal Baking Fowder, Absolutely Purs.

BASE BALL IN NAPLES.

The First Game in Snuny Italy Will Re Played To-day. Copyright, 1889, by Tax Fox Printing and Publishing

NAPLES, Feb. 18 .- Consul-General Campbausen has sent out a formal invitation to members of the diplomatic corps and to many members of the best society here, inviting hem to see us play a game on the Campo Demarts grounds to-morrow. This would give us a sort of official standing. We anticipate having a good attendance of English and American tourists, but do not expect a rush of Italian visitors, as the sons of Italy do not go much on out-door sports. The weather is very One here at present, being clear and cold. Despite the talk of this being the land of sunny skies, we only caught our first glimpse of old

Sol since arriving here vesterday. Lynch has gone to Nice to arrange for our playing a game there during the Flower Festival, a great society event, now.in progress. Our advices from Vienna represent that there is great disappointment there on account of the cold weather and the snow, preventing our playing in that city in the open air. A reception committee of prominent citizens has been appointed to welcome us, and they have secured the Exposition building. We may play an indoor game just to give the hospitable ionnese an idea of our national game.

We had an interesting time in that wicked, but interesting city, Pompell, to-day. Carroll and Fogarty climbed to the top of Vesuvius looking for the crater. They came back to the hotel to-night half dead with fatigue,

Mrs. Spaiding and her son joined the party.

here. They will accompany us as far as Nice Ward says he will go to Boston under Kelly or any other captain. He does not know what the Washington proposition is. We are all in the dark about base ball matters and doings at home, and have only had a vague hint about some sort of a classification. The boys are wondering what it is all about.

A JEWELLER'S SAFE CRACKED.

Burglars Carry Off \$3,000 Worth Watches and Jewelry.

Clever burglars got \$3,000 worth of watches and jewelry yesterday morning in the store of H. & A. Gebraetz, at 173 Halsey street, Newark. They got into the store from a rear alley, and They got into the store from a rear alley, and burst open the safe in full view of the street, which is little frequented at night. The safe was not burglar preef, and the inside doors, it is believed, were not locked, so that the thieves had little trouble after knocking off the combination lock. The firm loses about one nundered watches belonging to customers, besides thirty gold and ten silver watches out of the stock and a large quantity of jewelry of various grados and kinds. No clue to the thieves has been obtained.

A Minister Churged with Immorality.

WATERTOWN, Feb. 18.-The Rev. N. D. Bush of the Northern New York Conference of he Methodist Episcopal Church has been suspended from his ministerial functions because of a charge of immoral conduct. The charge is made by Miss Emma Bushnell of La Farge-ville, where Mr. Bush has been stationed for about a year. His accuser is a young lady of exabout a year. His accuser is a young lady of excellent family, whose character has never been questioned. She alleges that Mr. Bush walked out of church with her one evening about eight weeks ago, and after arriving at a somewhat secluded portion of the street embraced and kissed her, and proposed that they go into an unflaished church near by. The young woman spurned the proposition, and notified her friends, who informed Presiding Eider Cootes. The Presiding Eider has just concluded a preliminary hearing of the case, in which he acted as judge, and all the forms of the lower ecclesiastical court were observed. Miss Bushnell put her charge in the form of an affidavit. The pastor denied the entire story, and attempted to prove an alibi, but could not account for about fifteen minutes of time on the evening named. The Presiding Eider has suspended him, and his case will now be taken to the annual Conference which means in Acrol 1. named. The Presiding Elder has suspended him, and his case will now be taken to the an-nual Conference, which meets in April.

One Woman Married to Another. BALTIMORE, Feb. 18 .- The little village of Clermont Mills is excited over the reported marriage by a Catholic priest of Catherine Beall, a young girl, to Miss Haunah Colder, the daughter of an ex-County Commissioner. The singular ceremony is said to have been performed in September by the Rev. J. Alfons Frederick, pastor of St. Mary's Church of Clermont Mills. The license was obtained in Baltimore last May by Father Frederick, but nothing was known of the marriage until a few days ago. On Tuesday of last week both girls, who had been living at home, disappeared. Miss Beall's father made inquirles and then discovered the startling relationship that existed between her and Miss Colder. Vesterday he came to Baltimore and placed the natter into the hands of Marshal of Police Frey. Miss Beall is pretty and vivaclous, and her motive in consenting to such a ceremony is a mystery. Beall is pretty and vivacious, and her induced consenting to such a ceremony is a mystery Miss Colder, it is said, wore an ulster on the evening the marriage was performed, and Father Frederick took her to be a man. She is 35 years of age, silm, and wears her hair short

A Sensational Letter from Cleveland.

CHICAGO, Feb. 18 .- A surprise is in store for the delegates to the American Tariff Reform Conference, which will begin its session here to-morrow. President Cleveland has written a letter which makes at some length positive declarations of his views upon the tariff question and its future in American politics. The letter was written to John White, Corresponding Secretary of the American Tariff Reform League, in reply to an invitation to take part in the convention. Mr. White declines to allow any one to see the letter, and intimates that it will cause something of a sensation.

Settling Up the Pretended Bleycle Race. The bicycle girls who raced in the Madison Square Garden on salary last week, while their several managers were pretending that the race was in good faith for a share in the gate receipts, were paid off yes faith for a share in the gate receipts, were paid off yes-terday after some dispute. Lottie Stanley, who won the race and demanded \$250, finally got from her em-ployer, Troy of Pittsburgh, \$160 in cash, his due thil fer \$110, and the machine on which she rode. The other \$110, and the machine on which she rode. The other \$110, and the machine on which she rode. The other string got \$50 each according to contract. Billy of Brien, who hirded the girls through troy and Bert Miller, gave to Miss Stanley a pair of diamond earrings in recogni-tion of her pamentes, as he said. Miller and Troy, who had agreed to provide the girls for the race for 40 per cent, of the receipts, were on the verse of an outbreak over their money affairs yesterday, and Miller said he would threat Troy on sight. He didn't do it, however, when they chanced to meet.

FORTY-ONE KILLED.

PRICE TWO CENTS.

A Hartford Hotel Wrecked by an Explosion.

THE RUINS TAKE FIRE.

Nine of the Victims Rescued Alive.

Pifty Persons Believed to Have Reen in the Wrecked Building-Thirteen Dead Bodles Recovered and Twenty-eight More Believed to Be in the Ruins-The Rev. Dr. Perrin and His Wife, and Speaker Pond of Indiana Among the Missing-Thrilling Scenes and Hairbreadth Escapes.

HARTFORD, Feb. 18 .- At 4:50 this morning the Park Central Hotel, one of the most popular and well kept hotels in the city, went down with a tremendous crash, burying in the ruins all but a few of the guests in the house. Almost simultaneously with the crash of the falling walls came a tremendous explosion that shook the whole city and wrecked the fronts of all buildings near by. A moment later a general alarm was sent out, and still later the eleven strokes which call for the city compa-nies of the Connecticut National Guard. The noise of the explosion started hundreds of people on the hunt for its cause, and the fire alarm sent them in the right direction. When they reached the spot, nothing remained of the handsome hotel but a mass of ruins, which barely filled the deep cellar, and a scant twenty feet of the rear end of the building, five stories in height, and showing the interior of the last row of rooms on each floor. The ruined part had been sliced away as neatly as though with a giant knife. From the ruins arose groans and cries, and from the part still standing were heard the shricks of the servants, who lived in an annex. A cold, half-frozen rain from a lowering skr, with the spectacle of wreck and ruin, and the thick, enveloping clouds of steam, which for hours hid from the surging crowds of people around the policemen's cordon the occasional awful revelations made by, the too few workmen in unearthing dead bodies or living sulferers, combined to make a scone which no be-

holder will be likely to forget. The police went to work with remarkable judgment, and soon had a gang of men working on the ruins, while teams were busy cart-ing away the debris; but before any organized effort for help could be made there had been thrilling scenes. Held close to the top of the wreckage were a man, his wife, and a child. Flames had burst forth from near the boiler. and these came licking toward the group. The child cried aloud for help, but no help could each it. The man and woman looked death in the face with clasped hands, and a moment later all were beyond suffering.

The flames at first prevented any attempts

at rescuing any one, and the ruins were flooded with water before any work could be prosecuted. A few dead or dying persons were taken from the edge of the débris, however, within an hour after the explosion. The force of the explosion threw a bed with a sleeping woman upon it far into the street, while one of the heavy doors landed a block away. By 9 A. M. the flames were so far subdued that the rescuers were enabled to get at some of the victims. Some were pinned beneath heavy timbers upon which rested masses of masonry. rendering the work of rescue very bazardous. The dead body of Dwight Buell, a jeweler, was taken out at about 10 o'clock. The bodies of Lewis H. Bronson, a stone dealer, his wife and child were discovered at about the same time. Mr. James, an agent of the White Star line of steamers, was taken out at noon alive and apparently not very badly injured, although unable to stand. He said that Landlord Ketchum and wife were under where he laid, and were still alive. At about 1 o'clock, amid enthus instic cheers from the crowd. Landlord and were able to drink some hot coffee with relish-no small wonder, considering that they had been imprisoned in their nightclothes in the cellar with a flood of water pouring in on them. They were sent to the hospital. Soon afterward Walter Gay, the New York agent for the Higganum Manufacturing Company, was taken out alive and sent to the hospital. The dead body of J. C. Hill, a commercial traveller, who occupied room 29, has also been taken out. At 2% P. M. the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Bronson were taken from the ruins.

The body of J. George Engle was taken from the ruins at 8:45 and removed immediately to Dr. Smith's office. He was the prescription clerk at A. Marwick, Jr. & Co.'s, and occupied room 16 in the hotel. He was 29 years of age, and had been in the store for nine years, and was a very competent druggist. He left his business Sunday afternoon, having the evening off. Engle was a native of Norwich, and has a brother. Charles Engle, who is employed by Lee & Osgood, the druggists in that city. He was a member of St. John's Lodge of Masons of this city. The body was very badly bruised and scalifed, the head was cut and disfigured,

but the face was easily recognized.

Michael Corrigan and his wife were in one of the rooms in the southeast portion of the hotel. and were buried for nearly five hours in the ruins. Corrigan retained consciousness through the trightful ordeal, but his wife, who was rescued at 9%, was so benumbed with the